MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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30 April 1956

SUBJECT: Original Draft of Cable -

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1917 (OUT 50888)

1. The original draft of this cable was prepared and received as described in the attached memorandum for the record by on 28 April.

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- 2. On 30 April, at his request, I returned the original to Mr. Armstrong for his file. He explained to me that he wished to use this draft today in a briefing of Deputy Undersecretary Robert Murphy and that the original draft will be better than a copy of our message since (a) it does not contain pseudonyms or cryptonyms and (b) it does show the Undersecretary's penciled changes as made on the original.
- 3. After the return of this original draft, there remains no documentary evidence in our file, other than a photostat of this draft, to prove that the message was authorized by the Secretary of State. It is for this reason that I have prepared this memorandum.

RICHARD M. BISSELL, JR. Project Director

Attachments:

Memo for Record

dtd 28 Apr 56

Photostat original draft

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RMB:djm

1-Project Director w/attachments

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